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LET US ALONE

The trust officials who appeared before the various investigating committees of congress this summer, including G. W. Perkins, complained because the Democrats were too active in inquiring into their business methods. "Let us alone" is their favorite wail whenever a move is made to determine in what manner they are exacting tribute from the people. "The tendency to distrust big corporations," said Mr. Perkins, "is hurting business. Business desires to go ahead unmolested."

The "Let us alone" policy would suit the trusts exactly. Having gobbled everything in sight, naturally they resent interference. With the tariff so high that they have a monopoly on all the necessities of life, and the anti-trust law so interpreted that restraint of trade is not restraint so long as it is "reasonable," they are safe from competition, and immune from prosecution. Hence their desire to be let alone.

In the meantime, how about prices? Ten years ago a pair of five pound woolen blankets could be bought for \$3.75; today they cost \$5. At that time the price of five yards of serge cloth, fifty inches wide, was \$3.75; the price now is \$6.25. Ten years ago twenty yards of unbleached cotton cloth could be bought for \$1.20; today the cost is \$2.20. Five yards of all wool flannel could be purchased then for \$2.75 the price now is \$6.25. Flour sold for \$3.50 less per barrel during the civil war than it does now.

ON THE JOB

The interesting announcement has been made that former Senator Nelson Aldrich of Rhode Island has purchased a home on the fashionable Massachusetts avenue, near Sheridan circle, in Washington, and that he intends to make his future home in the capitol. The announcement is of exceptional interest inasmuch as the tariff fight in congress, within the next two or three years, is to be fought to a finish.

If She But Would

One look a day would make me cold,
Two looks a day would make me bold,
Three looks a day would make me hold
Some hope of winning.
One smile a day would make me yearn,
Two smiles a day would make me burn,
Three smiles a day would make me learn
That love is killing.
One small word would make me still
Two small words would make me thrill,
Three small words—oh, if she will!
Now guess the ending.

Cider!! Cider!!

We will begin making cider on Tuesday, September 12, at our mill at the railroad crossing, one-fourth mile east of Dalton, and will run on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Will keep plenty of good barrels for sale at reasonable prices. Plenty of good water and shade for those who wish to come and camp while having cider made. If you want good cider, come and see us. 29-5t

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PROFIT THE FARMER LOSES

Countrymen Astonished by Prices the New Yorker Pays.

Scouts of that army of farmers which has enlisted in the campaign to suppress the middlemen and sell directly to the retail dealer or the public explored today this metropolis, the scene of conquest to be, and were amazed at the high prices which city folks are paying for provender.

This will not be when their plans have gone into operation for they feel sure that not only will the five million inhabitants of New York get better and cheaper produce, but that there will be more in it for the farmers.

Under the convoy of an agent of the United States Association and the Grangers, Dealers, and Consumers' Union, a committee in which were forty men who had never seen New York City before made a marketing tour of the metropolis.

PAID A DOLLAR FOR IT.

In Madison Avenue, not far from the Grand Central Station, they bought a broiler undrawn which weighed one pound and a half. They gave \$1 in cold cash for this storage biped. A pallid creature he was, for either he had been picked wet or had rested in ice and water.

Up in Harlem 88 cents was given for a 2-pound broiler of firm rosy flesh, and evidently of more recent killing.

For small live chickens the farmers of New York State have been receiving 12 1-2 cents a pound, while in some parts of Pennsylvania, one of the delegates said today broilers had been sold for 6 cents a pound on the claw. Anyway, the jury of farmers decided the top prices which they could have got for these broilers would have been 20 cents a pound, or about 30 cents each. Under a readjustment the committee felt that 50 cents would have been enough to pay for either of the chickens which they had acquired.

When they came to look at the prices at which these broilers were sold in the restaurants they rose for altitude and some of them have not yet come to earth.

BUTTER AT SIXTY CENTS A POUND
Much interest was shown by the committee on butter. At one of the best stores in the city they acquired several small prints at 60 cents a pound.

"Good butter, all right," said one of the farmers. "About as good as I ever had, very fine butter, friends, but we could only get 25 cents for butter just as fine. The profits are a little too high."

Other grades of satisfactory butter were found 38 to 40 cents a pound.

Prices of eggs were found way high.

"Apples were 5 cents each. My, what a shock! The delegates told a vendor if he would go to the country he could have all he wanted for "nothing."

Diarrhoea is always more or less prevalent during September. Be prepared for it. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is prompt and effective. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take. For sale by all Dealers.

Pat was hard at work digging a post hole when the boss strolled by. "Well, Pat," said he, noting the progress of the work, "do you think you will be able to get all that dirt back into the hole again?" Pat looked doubtfully at the pile of dirt, and then at the hole, scratched the back of his head, and after some thought said: "No, sor, sure I don't think I've dug th' hole deep enough."

2 more car loads of ice as 60c hundreds pounds at J. M. Halleys phone 29.

How Kentucky Fought John Bull.

Seldom has there been a more one-sided battle than that of New Orleans, fought January 8, 1815. So far as numbers were concerned the advantage was with the British; for they had 12,000 soldiers, while General Jackson could muster barely 6,000. In discipline, too, the British were far superior, for they were well trained veterans who had seen service on the battlefields of Europe. The Americans strongly, on the other hand, were for the most part raw militia, pioneers in coonskin caps and homespun clothing. But in results the one-sidedness was the other way. For three weeks Jackson had been training his raw soldiers, and when the British advanced to the attack they found the Americans strongly intrenched and well prepared to receive them. The slaughter was terrific. The British loss was about 2,600 killed and wounded, while on the American side only eight were killed and thirteen wounded. And the pity of it was there was no need of the battle, for peace had been declared between the two countries. Among the American soldiers were many from Kentucky, and for years afterward this song was often sung in that state:

"Jackson led to the cypress swamp:
The ground was low and mucky;
There stood John Bull in martial pomp,
And here stood old Kentucky.
And when so near we saw them wink,
We thought it time to stop 'em;
Lord! It would have done your heart good
To see the Kentuckians pop 'em."

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HIS FARM FOR A BIT OF PAPER

Zittle King Traded Sight Unseen and Goes to Legal Aid Bureau.

Zittle King, sometime of Kentucky and also Cherry county, Nebraska, tried trading farms "sight unseen" with an "affable stranger." The experiment didn't please Mr. King. Speaking of it at the free legal aid bureau's office this morning he said:

"The next fellow I trade farms with 'sight unseen' will have to have hair longer than a railroad tie. Why, I was so mad I believed I could have killed that fellow when I found out the way he'd done me. And that after the postmaster out home said to him, 'Now, there better not be any shenanigin about this here deal,' and he'd said 'There ain't for here's the papers.'"

Here's King's story, as he told it to Edward Fleming, attorney at the free legal aid bureau:

"I had 640 acres near Broken Bow, Neb. Got it by homesteading under the Kincaid law—yes, you can take a whole section that way now if the land is vacant. Wife and I went out there about a year ago. I had three horses, twenty one chickens—Plymouth Rocks at that—fine hogs and a good sod house, 14 by 40. Lots of sod houses out there. Then one of the horses died and another broke a leg and I traded the third for hogs, for I didn't care much about farming anyhow. Wife and I kept mostly a road house there for drummers that drove through the country.

ALONG CAME THE STRANGER.

"But there was no trees or fruit and such and we didn't like it. So one day come a fellow through there and says: 'I've got just what you want. Fifty five acres not two miles from Linn Creek, Mo., two acres of orchard, fine house and good barn and a 59-foot well.' 'Wife's from Missouri. Married her there, let's see, wasn't it something like eleven years ago? Anyhow, the certificate will show the date. And so I says: 'That's just what I want, but how'll I get it?' and he says: 'Easy enough. I'll trade it to you for this place,' and I says: 'It's a trade,' and we went and got this warranty deed."

The deed which King carried wrapped in a newspaper described some property in Camden County Mo., and announced that it was now the property of Zittle King and wife. The affable stranger also gave King a note also supposed to be on the old Missouri farm and money enough to get there, taking in exchange all of the King property. Here's the note:

Please give this man possession of that land he has a deed for and oblige me.

That note was addressed to C. E. Nowles. To make doubly sure, this was written on the back of the note:

O. P. Wade: Please help this man to find his place.

NEITHER HIDE NOR HAIR OF THEM

Although King can neither read nor write, he felt sure the notes put everything into shape for him so he and his wife started for their new farm.

"Got to Bagnell, Mo.," King said, "and that was all the closer we could get to Linn Creek, the way we went on the train, so we had to walk twenty miles to Linn Creek. Down there they didn't know any body named Nowles nor Wade, they said—hadn't heard hide or hair of them—and when we looked up the land we found that it was owned by a Topeka bank and that there wasn't any house nor orchard nor anything else on it and that some of the papers somehow were missing."

FREE SAMPLE OF LAXATIVE CURED HIS CONSTIPATION

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In Sorrow

Gently, Lord, oh! gently lead us,
Pilgrims in this vale of tears,
Through the trials yet decreed us,
Till our last great change appears.

When temptation's darts assail us,
When in devious paths we stray
Let Thy goodness never fail us,
Lead us in Thy perfect way.

In the hour of pain and anguish,
In the hour when death draws near,
Suffer not our hearts to languish,
Suffer not our souls to fear;

And, when mortal life is ended,
Bid us in thine arms to rest,
Till, by angel bands attended,
We awake among the blest.

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